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LEGISLATIVE BILL 725

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A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to medication; to adopt the Community Health
- 2 Medication Distribution Act.
- Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Sections 1 to 5 of this act shall be known

- 2 and may be cited as the Community Health Medication Distribution
- 3 Act.
- 4 Sec. 2. For purposes of the Community Health Medication
- 5 Distribution Act:
- 6 (1) Community health center means a grant-funded
- 7 community health center carrying out programs funded pursuant to
- 8 the Health Centers Consolidation Act of 1996, 42 U.S.C.201 et seq.;
- 9 (2) Community health medication means a prescription drug
- 10 (a) which is (i) distributed to a community health center, (ii)
- 11 labeled for use by a named client of such community health center,
- 12 (iii) in the possession of the community health center, and (iv)
- 13 unopened and unexpired and (b) which has not been and will not be
- 14 provided to the named client for medical reasons or other reasons
- 15 within the discretion of the community health center;
- 16 (3) Department means the Department of Health and Human
- 17 Services Regulation and Licensure; and
- 18 (4) Prescription drug has the definition found in section
- 19 71-1,142.
- 20 Sec. 3. (1) A community health center may enlist the
- 21 service of a local pharmacist or pharmacy to relabel any community
- 22 health medication for distribution by the community health center
- 23 to a person other than the client named in the original labeling.
- 24 The community health center shall provide to the participating
- 25 pharmacist or pharmacy a prescription or other appropriate document
- 26 demonstrating the person's eligibility to receive the community
- 27 health medication from the community health center, along with the
- 28 community health medication to be relabeled.

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1 (2) The pharmacist or pharmacy shall relabel the

- 2 community health medication for use by the person named in the
- 3 prescription or other document described in subsection (1) of this
- 4 section and shall make the relabeled community health medication
- 5 available to the community health center for distribution to such
- 6 person.
- 7 Sec. 4. Participation by a pharmacist or pharmacy in
- 8 relabeling of a community health medication described in section 3
- 9 of this act is voluntary, except that such pharmacist or pharmacy
- 10 shall participate if the community health center agrees to pay a
- 11 fee to the participating pharmacist or pharmacy, which fee shall
- 12 not exceed ten percent of the value of the community health
- 13 medication.
- 14 Sec. 5. The department may adopt and promulgate rules
- 15 and regulations to carry out the Community Health Medication
- 16 Distribution Act.